

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
PARK AND RECREATION BOARD  
Minutes  
November 4, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Brigid Gunn, Chairman, Abby Roughton, Jennifer Bilodeau, Sue Lasota, Kathy Ungerleider and Tom Tyburski, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services

**ABSENT:** Squire Bressor

**PUBLIC:** None

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Brigid Gunn.

**MINUTES**

On a motion by Sue Lasota and seconded by Kathy Ungerleider, the minutes from the September 2, 2014 meeting were approved.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Programs –

- Soccer season is complete. Due to the decent weather the season only had to be extended by 1 week. The program went well and the participation numbers were about the same as last years.
- Registration has started for Youth Basketball and Ski Sundown after school program – so far the numbers are a little low from last year's. Simsbury is now running its own Youth Basketball program. Previously it was organized and run by the Farmington Valley YMCA.
- Adult Language Classes – Spanish & Italian – both programs were sold out and are doing very well.

Upcoming Trips –

- Saturday, February 7, 2015 - Mt. Snow Ski trip
- Sunday, January 4, 2015 - Madison Square Garden to see the UCONN Girls Basketball team – tickets are selling pretty well and are only \$65pp.
- Saturday, December 6 – New York City – On your own
- Saturday March 14, 2015 - Boston Flower Show
- In the planning process - Red Sox/Yankees baseball games.
- Kathy Ungerleider inquired about a possible trip next to NYC to visit the Radio Music Hall for a holiday show

Upcoming Events –

Wednesday, December 3, 6:30pm – Tree Lighting ceremony at Salmon Brook Park. This is being sponsored by Granby Recreation, the Lions Club, Granby Chamber of Commerce, and the GECC. John Higby (the Yoyo guy) will be providing entertainment as well as the Wells Road and Kelly Lane chorale groups. There will be a community sing along & wagon rides. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. There will also be a collection of non-perishable goods for the Granby Food Bank.

Saturday, February 21, 2015 4:45pm – 7pm - Annual Granby Ice Skating Party at Simsbury Farms in Simsbury. This event is free to Granby Residents and the Recreation Dept. requests, that in lieu of money, that every family attending brings a non-perishable donation for the Granby Food Bank. Due to the overwhelming attendance last year, Recreation may ask that families RSVP. Mr. Tyburski asked the Board members if they would be willing to volunteer for the event.

Concessions Snack Cart – during the soccer season Granby Recreation operated a Concessions Cart that they borrowed from Public Works. It contained beverages, snacks, chips, etc. The cart didn't do quite as well as Mr. Tyburski had hoped it would. If this is something that is to be continued, Recreation will purchase an electric cart.

Organized activities at the Parks are complete for the season – bathrooms are now closed.

Other things being worked on: goal mounts are being repaired, Jeff Bolton to contact Tom Tyburski regarding lacrosse field markers (can't use white because that's what soccer uses), renovations are being completed on some baseball fields, sidewalks will be started spring/summer 2015, SBP parking lot lighting issues to be addressed in 2015.

## **OTHER BUSINESS AS NECESSARY**

On Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> a new shed for the Pond is being delivered. This shed will be used to house the boats and other equipment that is used in the pond by the campers and patrons.

Tom asked the Board what their thoughts were on having Café Concerts in the Gathering Room at Salmon Brook Park. All agreed that it was a good idea. Brigid Gunn suggested a Celtic themed performer for March 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>. Other performer suggestions were Wild Ponies and Carrie Johnson. Tom will pursue this and get back to the Board at the next meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Jennifer Bilodeau and seconded by Abby Roughton, the meeting adjourned at 8:09pm

PLEASE NOTE: The next meeting is going to be Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 7:00 at the Lodge at Salmon Brook Park in the Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Shinder  
Recording Secretary